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SITUATION REPORT NO. 25

SITUATION IN CYPRUS AS OF 1800 (EDT), JULY 28

1. MILITARY SITUATION IN CYPRUS: UNFICYP REPORTED SCATTERED ACTIONS, PARTICULARLY IN THE KARAVAS/LAPITHOS AREA WEST OF KYRENIA, AS TURKISH TROOPS CONTINUED THEIR EFFORTS TO CONSOLIDATE CONTROL OF CAPTURED AREAS AND APPARENTLY TO EXPAND THEIR ENCLAVE TOWARD THE WEST. UNFICYP ALSO REPORTED

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OUTBREAKS OF FIGHTING ON THE NICOSIA-LARNACA AND NICOSIA-

LIMASSOL ROADS, PRESUMABLY LOCAL OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BY TURKISH CYPRIOTS.

2. THERE WAS NO FIGHTING REPORTED IN NICOSIA SUNDAY. CITING U.N. SOURCES, A LATE AFTERNOON REUTERS DISPATCH NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT TURKISH TANKS HAD SHELLED A NATIONAL GUARD CAMP NORTH OF THE CITY FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES.

3. GENEVA TALKS: HOPES FOR AN AGREEMENT SAGGED EARLIER TODAY BUT HAVE NOW REVIVED. AFTER EARLIER INTRANSIGENCE, THE TURKS HAVE AGREED TO U.N. HELICOPTER RECONNAISSANCE TO DETERMINE THE PRECISE LIMITS OF THE TURKISH ZONE BETWEEN NICOSIA AND KYRENIA- ANOTHER MAJOR POINT--LIMITATION ON AND CONTROL OVER THE LEVEL OF ALL TROOPS, ARMS AND OTHER WAR MATERIAL ON CYPRUS--IS STILL AN IMPORTANT OUTSTANDING ISSUE. THE GREEKS ARE NO LONGER THREATENING, FOR THE MOMENT, TO LEAVE THE TALKS TONIGHT. HOWEVER, GREEK PRIME MINISTER KARAMANLIS HAS APPEALED TO U.K. PRIME MINISTER WILSON FOR THE INTERVENTION OF THE U.K. GOVERNMENT AS A GUARANTOR POWER TO PREVENT AN "UNAVOIDABLE GENERALIZATION OF THE CONFLICT." IN ANKARA, TURKISH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT STATED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY THAT "A FINAL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN GENEVA TONIGHT AND THE SIDES WILL EITHER REACH AGREEMENT AT THE MEETING OR WILL DISPERSE." (EXDIS/NOFORN)

4. SOVIETS: THE USSR HAS ANNOUNCED OFFICIALLY THAT IT IS SENDING VIKTOR MANIN, HEAD OF THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY'S MIDDLE EAST DEPARTMENT, AS SPECIAL OBSERVER TO THE GENEVA TALKS. TASS REPORTS STATE THAT THE USSR HAS DEMANDED THAT ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS JOIN THE GENEVA TALKS, AND THAT ALL FOREIGN TROOPS, INCLUDING THE U.K., WITHDRAW FROM CYPRUS.

5. PRESS TICKERS STATE THAT THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN ANKARA MET TODAY AT LENGTH WITH TURKISH DEFENSE MINISTER HASAN ESAT ISIK AT THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. FURTHER, THE USSR HAS CALLED FOR AN URGENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING TO DEMAND FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WEEK-OLD COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON THE CYPRUS CRISIS. THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED TO MEET TONIGHT AT 9 P.M.

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(EDT). THE SOVIETS HAVE INDICATED THAT ONE OBJECTIVE THEY HAVE IN MIND IS SENDING A SPECIAL SECURITY COUNCIL MISSION TO CYPRUS.

6. CYPRUS: THE CYPRIOT COMMUNIST PARTY (AKEL) HAS REPORTEDLY INFORMED CLERIDES THAT IT WILL SUPPORT CLERIDES' PRESIDENCY IF HE CAN OBTAIN A STATEMENT FROM MAKARIOS SURRENDERING THE PRESIDENCY TO CLERIDES. FAILING THAT,

AKEL WILL SUPPORT CLERIDES ONLY AS ACTING PRESIDENT  
AND WILL OPPOSE ANY MOVE MADE BY CLERIDES TO DEPOSE  
MAKARIOS. IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, CLERIDES HAS INFORMED  
AMBASSADOR DAVIES OF HIS CONCERN THAT FAILURE OF THE  
GENEVA TALKS WOULD LEAD THE TURKS TO RESUME THEIR CAMPAIGN  
TO EXPAND THEIR OCCUPIED ZONE. (EXDIS/NOFORN)

7. GREECE: ANDREAS PAPANDREOU, SON OF THE FORMER GREEK  
PRIME MINISTER, PLANS TO ARRIVE IN PATRAS, GREECE ON JULY  
31 AFTER SEVEN YEARS IN EXILE. PAPANDREOU, A FAR-LEFT IN-  
DEPENDENT POLITICIAN WHO IS ANTI-U.S. AND ANTI-NATO, HAS  
ATTACKED THE KARAMANLIS GOVERNMENT AND LABELLED IT  
NATO'S WATCHMAN". HE ALSO CHARGED THAT TRUE POWER IN  
GREECE CONTINUES TO RESIDE IN THE HANDS OF THE U.S., NATO  
AND THE GREEK ARMY. INGERSOLL

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